CLAIM AMENDMENTS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A method of providing access to views of network objects within an application for use in managing or viewing a telecommunication ~~communication~~ network having a hierarchy of telecommunication network objects, the application providing a graphical user interface through which an operator can issue instructions, the method comprising the steps of:

   storing a stored bookmark list of bookmarks, each bookmark being associated with a telecommunication network object;

   displaying the bookmark list in the graphical user interface;

   if the operator selects a bookmark in the stored bookmark list, displaying information concerning the telecommunication network object associated with the bookmark selected by the operator; and

   if the operator issues instructions to add a new bookmark to the stored bookmark list, adding a new bookmark to the stored bookmark list, the new bookmark being associated with a currently displayed telecommunication network object.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein storing the stored bookmark list comprises storing the stored bookmark list uniquely in association with the operator.

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3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the step of displaying the bookmark list comprises displaying the bookmark list as part of a drop down menu, the drop down menu further including a menu command by which the operator can issue instructions to add a new bookmark to the stored bookmark list.

4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising the steps of:

if the operator issues instructions to manage the bookmarks, providing a bookmark management window, the bookmark management window including a temporary bookmark list initially identical to the stored bookmark list;

if the operator issues instructions to create a bookmark group, creating a bookmark group;

if the operator issues instructions to assign one of the bookmarks in the temporary bookmark list, assigning the one of the bookmarks in the temporary bookmark list to the bookmark group; and

if the operator issues instructions to save the bookmark list, storing the temporary bookmark list as the stored bookmark list.

5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 4 wherein the step of displaying the bookmark list comprises displaying the bookmark list as part of a drop down menu, the drop down menu further including a command by which the operator can issue instructions to manage the bookmarks.

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6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 5 wherein the step of providing a bookmark management window comprises displaying a New Folder button, a Rename button, a Delete button, an OK button, and a Cancel button, wherein the operator may designate any bookmark in the temporary bookmark list as a selected bookmark, and wherein the method comprises the further steps of:

if the operator selects the New Folder button, prompting the operator to enter a new bookmark group name, and creating a new bookmark group having the new bookmark group name in the temporary bookmark list;

if the operator selects the Rename button, prompting the operator to enter a new bookmark name, and renaming the selected bookmark with the new bookmark name;

if the operator selects the Delete button, deleting the selected bookmark from the temporary bookmark list; and

if the operator selects the Cancel button, closing the bookmark management window;

and wherein the operator issues the instructions to save the bookmark list by selecting the OK button.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 6 wherein the step of providing a bookmark management window further comprises displaying a Clean Up button, and wherein the method comprises the further step of: if the operator selects the Clean Up button, removing from the

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temporary bookmark list any bookmarks for which the associated telecommunication network

object no longer exists within the hierarchy of telecommunication network objects.

8. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 6 wherein storing the stored bookmark list

comprises storing the stored bookmark list uniquely in association with the operator.

9. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable medium having instructions for providing access

to views of telecommunication network objects within an application for viewing or managing a

telecommunication communication network having a hierarchy of telecommunication network

objects, the application providing a graphical user interface through which an operator can issue

instructions, the computer-readable medium comprising:

   instructions for storing a stored bookmark list of bookmarks, each bookmark being

associated with a telecommunication network object;

   instructions for displaying the bookmark list in the graphical user interface;

   instructions for displaying information concerning the telecommunication network object

associated with a bookmark selected by the operator, in the event that the operator selects a

bookmark in the stored bookmark list; and

   instructions for adding a new bookmark to the stored bookmark list, the new bookmark

being associated with a currently displayed telecommunication network object, in the event that

the operator issues instructions to add a new bookmark to the stored bookmark list.

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10. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 9 wherein the instructions for storing the stored bookmark list comprise instructions for storing the stored bookmark list uniquely in association with the operator.

11. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 9 wherein the instructions for displaying the bookmark list comprise instructions for displaying the bookmark list as part of a drop down menu, the drop down menu further including a menu command by which the operator can issue instructions to add a new bookmark to the stored bookmark list.

12. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 9 further comprising:

instructions for displaying a bookmark management window including a temporary bookmark list initially identical to the stored bookmark list, in the event that the operator issues instructions to manage the bookmarks;

instructions for creating a bookmark group, in the event that the operator issues instructions to create a bookmark group;

instructions for assigning one of the bookmarks in the temporary bookmark list to one of the bookmark groups, in the event that the operator issues instructions to assign one of the bookmarks in the temporary bookmark list; and

instructions for storing the temporary bookmark list as the stored bookmark list, in the event that the operator issues instructions to save the bookmark list.

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13. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 12 wherein the instructions

for displaying the bookmark list comprise instructions for displaying the bookmark list as part of

a drop down menu, the drop down menu further including a command by which the operator can

issue instructions to manage the bookmarks.

14. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 13 wherein the instructions

for providing a bookmark management window comprise instructions for displaying a New

Folder button, a Rename button, a Delete button, an OK button, and a Cancel button, and the

computer-readable medium further comprising:

instructions for allowing the operator to designate any bookmark in the temporary

bookmark list as a selected bookmark;

instructions for prompting the operator to enter a new bookmark group name and creating

a new bookmark group having the new bookmark group name in the temporary bookmark list, in

the event that the operator selects the New Folder button;

instructions for prompting the operator to enter a new bookmark name and renaming the

selected bookmark with the new bookmark name, in the event that the operator selects the

Rename button;

instructions for deleting the selected bookmark from the temporary bookmark list, in the

event that the operator selects the Delete button; and

instructions for closing the bookmark management window, in the event that the operator

selects the Cancel button; and

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wherein the instructions for storing the temporary bookmark list as the stored bookmark

list are executed in the even that the operator selects the OK button.

15. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable medium of claim 14 wherein the instructions

for providing a bookmark management window further comprise instructions for displaying a

Clean Up button, and the computer-readable medium further comprising: instructions for

removing from the temporary bookmark list any bookmarks for which the associated

telecommunication network object no longer exists within the hierarchy of telecommunication

network objects, in the event that the operator selects the Clean Up button.

16. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable medium of claim 14 wherein the instructions

for storing the stored bookmark list comprise instructions for storing the stored bookmark list

uniquely in association with the operator.

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